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BENT CREEK CEMETERY

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This list of tombstone inscriptions is being published in connection with the observance of the 150th anniversary of Bent Creek Cemetery.

Bent Creek Church was organized in 1785, and twenty five years later, in 1810, William Horner gave the original acre of land to the Trustees of the "Baptist Sosiety" for a neighborhood burying ground. Later additions of land bring the present acreage near eight acres.

Inscriptions of these gravestones first were copied during 1937 under a WPA project. The preface to this original list states that James Roddy and Caleb Witt, both pioneers of the area, are buried here. The grave of Caleb Witt is marked, but the grave of James Roddy cannot now be identified. However, members of the Roddy family state unquestionably this is his burial place.

Many graves are marked only with crude limestone rock; many gravestones bear only a name; some a name and a single date. Where a name was given, it is included in this list. If only initials appear, they are not listed.

In many instances inscriptions were almost illegible, but every effort has been made for accuracy. Corrections or additions will be welcomed.

This list includes approximately 688 names, and it is estimated there are an additional two to three hundred graves unidentified.

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BENT CREEK CEMETERY

Allen, Cecil Robert
Born Mar. 7, 1902
Died May 14, 1912

Allen, Ella Jodie Haun
Born Oct. 15, 1866
Died Feb. 26, 1946

Allen, William Henry
Born. Nov. 20, 1869
Died Sept. 28, 1902

Austin, Nannie P.
wife of H. G. Austin
Born Sept. 22, 1854
Died Aug. 14, 1873

Baker,
Infant son of H. Jones Baker

Ball, Georgie L.
Dau. of George & Mary Moore
Born Oct. 20, 1895
Died May 13, 1918

Ball, Georgie Louise
Dau. of Morgan & Georgie Ball
Born May 4, 1918
Died July 22, 1918

Ballard, Elijah E.
Born May 29, 1885
Died Aug. 18, 1952

Ballard, Mary Telie
Born May 19, 1885
Died Nov. 30, 1904

Ballard, William A.
Born Feb. 14, 1833
Died Oct. 30, 1865

His wife
Frances S. Ballard
Born Jan 19, 1837
Died -
Married May 11, 1855

Bass, S. E. Magnolian
infant dau. of J.B.& M.J.Bass
April 25, 1860

Batchman, Sundra Lee
Dau. of Mr.& Mrs. R.L.Batchman
Born Sept 17, 1948
Died May 15, 1949

Beard, Montgomery
(no dates)
His wife
Eliza Beard
Died Jan. 21, 1918
Age 75 years

Beck, James L.
Born Oct. 29, 1881
Died July 29, 1901

Benson, Mary
Died at W. M. Murdock's
Age about 75 years

Blanchard, M. H.
Born July 31, 1885
Died

His wife
India Haun Blanchard
Born Nov. 24, 1885
Died July 17, 1947

Breeden, Fannie Tartar
Born Aug. 8, 1900
Died Sept. 20, 1937

Brewer, John A.
Born May 2, 1879
Died May 24, 1937

Brewer, L. V.
Wife of Allen Brewer
Born Nov. 29, 1855
Died Jan 22, 1917

Britton, Dollie
Dau. of L. & G.W. Britton
Born Oct. 8, 1875
Died Jan. 27, 1876

Brown, Ben W.
Born May 1, 1875
Died June 4, 1958

His wife Cordie Brown
Born Nov. 8, 1871
Died Nov. 26, 1951

Brown, Clyde
Died 1937

Brown, Maggie B.
1881-1926

Brown, Nannie S.
Wife of J. M. Brown
Born Nov. 25, 1859
Died May 11, 1884

Brown, Penelope C. Pangle
Wife of Stephen C. Brown
Born Apr. 30, 1828
Died June 18, 1896

Brown, Vaney
Consort of J. Q. A. Brown
Died Oct. 4, 1856
Age 26 yr 5 mo 14 da

Brown, Walter W.
1869-1944

Brown, Willie C.
1897-1933

Brown, infant son of
J. Y. and Nola Brown
Feb. 8, 1903

Burchell, Nora
Wife of J. M. Burchell
Born May 31, 1870
Died June 25, 1896

Burchell, Loudema
Born Feb. 8, 1898
Died Feb. 28, 1941

Ella Lane Burchell
Born Nov. 13, 1874
Died Feb. 6, 1943

Burton, Emma
Wife of Perry Burton
Born June 7, 1875
Died Apr. 7, 1897

Burton, Babe of
P. & E. Burton
Born and Died May 11, 1896

Campbell, Julia Frances
1858-1930

Campbell, Robert Howard
1853-1926

Campbell, William David
1882-1929

Carpenter, Carrie
Dau. of Mr. & Mrs. W. G.
Carpenter
Born April 6, 1919
Died Aug. 16, 1941

Cary, C. J.
Born Feb. 14, 1831
Died _____, 1860

Cary, Hattie Robeson
Born Feb. 20, 1872
Died May 16, 1952

Cary, Wm. M.
Born Jan 15, 1857
Died Oct. 1, 1914

Charles, L. H.
Born Sept. 16, 1844
Died Apr. 2, 1918

His wife
Barsha M. Charles
Born Feb. 4, 1853
Died Apr. 15, 1926

Clement, Lillard
Born Nov. 10, 1895
Died May 19, 1922

Climer, Nancy J. Rhea
Wife of W. P. Climer
Born Apr. 15, 1847
Died Aug. 21, 1914

Cobble, Florah M
Dau of M. & M.E.L.
Born Sept. 2, 1876
Died Aug. 18, 1877

Cobble, Loula
Born Oct. 7, 1884
Died Aug. 1, 1928

Cobble, Mahlon
Born Aug. 18, 1841
Died, Nov. 10, 1900

His wife M. L. E. Cobble
Born Jan. 13, 1853
Died Aug. 18, 1887

Cobble, Thos. J.
Born July 30, 1837
Died Oct. 3, 1903

His Wife
Charlotte J. Cobble
Born Feb. 2, 1836
Died June 9, 1911

Cobble, Wm. McKindrie
Born Apr. 13, 1867
Died Feb. 18, 1871

Coffman, Elder Andrew
Born Dec. 22, 1784
Died Sept. 1, 1864

His wife, Nancy Coffman
Born June 23, 1789
Died Sept. 28, 1872

Coffman, David D.
Born Sept 2, 1821
Died Oct 22, 1837 (?)

Coffman, Eli (?)

Coffman, H. L.
1858

Coffman, Eliza
Born Mar. 20, 1843
Died Aug. 9, 1852

Coffman, Elmer E.
Pvt. 11th U.S. Inf
January 1, 1938

Coffman, Etta
1858-1876

Coffman, Nannie
Died Dec. 15, 1939
Age 83 yr 1 da

Coffman, William H.
Born Feb. 20, 1819
Died Aug. 15, 1880
Married April 14, 1840

His Wife, Mary Ann White
Born Jan. 20, 1823
Died June 10, 1882

Coffman, Wm. L.
Born May 11, 1864
Died Sept. 17, 1924

His Wife, Mollie Johnson
Born May 18, 1874
Died Dec. 14, 1894

Cole, Nannie Rhea
Born Nov. 28, 1867
Died Apr. 22, 1909

Coltharp, John
April 9, 1815
Age 66

Colyer, Elizabeth Lorena
Dau. of Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Colyer
Born Sept 5, 1912
Died Mar. 26, 1915

Infant of Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Colyer
Born Nov. 24, 1914
Died Nov. 25, 1914

Colyer, Grace Mae
Born Oct. 15, 1910
Died Dec. 23, 1919

Colyer, Rowena Tomlinson
Born July 8, 1853
Died Nov. 7, 1932

Cooper, Angie
Dau. of N.M. & M.A. Cooper
Born. Jan 5, 1871
Died Jan 1, 1872

Cooper, Lina
Co. H. 3rd North Carolina Inf.

Couch, David
Died June 2, 1893

Couch, Margaret
Born Aug. 22, 1829
Died May 14, 1880

Courtney, Barbary
Wife of James Courtney
Born Mar. 25, 1829
Died Aug. 31, 1889

Courtney, Davis
Born Apr. 21, 1893
Died Mar. 29, 1949

Courtney, James A.
Age 8 yrs.

Courtney, J. T.
Born Sept. 2, 1828
Died Nov 12, 1895
Co. D. 4th Tenn. Inf

Cox, James
Born May 23, 1821
Died May 23, 1891

His Wife, Edna Lane
Born Jan. 17, 1830
Died Oct. 8, 1873

Cox, W. D.
Born July 23, 1854
Died Nov. 12, 1864

Creech, Charlsie Pangle
Wife of H. W. Creech
1896-1922

Cutshaw, Maymie
Born Dec. 6, 1893
Died Aug. 16, 1925

Davis, Earl Barton
son of William & Jennie Davis
Born Aug. 24, 1894
Died Apr. 11, 1904

Davis, Howard
Born Mar. 28, 1898
Died June 26, 1936

Davis, Joseph J.
Born Nov. 18, 1895
Diec Oct. 22, 1918

Davis, Julia A.
Born Mar. 13, 1837
Died Apr. 15, 1896

Davis, infant dau. of
P.J. & J.A. Davis
Born Sept. 20, 1858
Died Dec. 11, 1859

Davis, Pleasant J.
Born Sept. 9, 1826
Died June 8, 1887

Davis, William H.
Born June 21, 1861
Died Aug. 21, 1950

His wife Jennie Mooney
Born Dec. 23, 1869
Died May 19, 1916

Day, Evelyn Marie
Dau of James & Pauline Day
Born June 16, 1937
Died Aug. 26, 1937

Day, James
Born Feb. 24, 1914
Died Oct. 31, 1946

Day, Lydie Tarter
Wife of J. E. Day
Born Aug. 18, 1879
Died Aug. 2, 1914

Day, Mary Roddy
Born June 9, 1832
Died June 22, 1919

Day, Prior Edd
Inf. son of J.E. & L.M. Day
Born Jan. 24, 1903
Died Jan. 9, 1906

Day, Sam B.
Born Apr. 12, 1866
Died Apr.23, 1953

Dean, Matildea
Wife of W. A. Dean
Born Mar. 28, 1838
Died Jan. 14, 1886

DeBusk, Dona Jenkins
1898-1916

Dennison, Rebecca M.
Consort of S. M. Dennison
Died March 23, 1862
Age 32 yr 2 mo

Drake, Florence J.
Born Nov. 16, 1868
Died Dec. 8, 1909

Drake, Susannah W.
Dau of W.D. & S.W. Drake
Born May 1, 1862
Died June 20, 1862

Drake, Susannah W. Taylor
Dau of R.S. & N.W. Taylor
Wife of Wm. D. Drake
Born Oct. 9, 1835
Died Mar. 20, 1862

Duff, Maude
Wife of Cain Duff
Born May 7, 1887
Died Apr. 26, 1910

Dyer, Charlie Dewey
Son of J.N. & E.E. Dyer
Born June 4, 1898
Died Sept. 27, 1911

Dyer, Clifford George
Born Mar.23, 1918
Died Apr. 3, 1918

Dyer, Edward Carmack
Died June 25, 1924
Age 18 yr, 1 mo. 22 da

Dyer, Edna Elizabeth
Born July 18, 1919
Died Aug. 5, 1919

Dyer, Geo. W.
Born Sept 26, 1827
Died Feb. 24, 1893

Dyer, Isaac P.
Son of S.M. & M.V. Dyer
Born Mar 17, 1869
Died Aug. 18, 1894

Dyer, Joseph B.
Born May 5, 1862
Died Nov. 27, 1937

Dyer, Joe F.
Born Mar. 29, 1866
Died Jan 5, 1887

Dyer, Lilly Bell
Dau of S.M. & M.V. Dyer
Born Nov. 29, 1874
Died Dec. 1, 1874

Dyer, L. Addie
Wife of J. B. Dyer
Born Mar. 24, 1864
Died Aug. 29, 1911

Dyer, Mary Louise
Dau. of G. W. & S. J. Dyer
Born Aug. 2, 1855
Died Sept. 7, 1857

Dyer, Milia Welch
Born Aug. 25, 1861
Died Dec. 17, 1937

Dyer, Pleasant Lafayette
Born June 17, 1857
Died July 19, 1925

Dyer, Racheal Livona
Born Jan. 26, 1868
Died Dec. 18, 1958

Dyer, Rosea D.
Dau. of S.M. & M.V. Dyer
Born Nov. 29, 1874
Died Aug. 28, 1893

Dyer, Sarah Jane
Wife of Geo. W. Dyer
Born Mar. 15, 1831
Died Apr. 15, 1909

Dyer, S. M.
Born Nov. 27, 1845
Died May 30, 1921

His wife Malvina
Born May 9, 1841
Died Nov. 18, 1899

Edington, Maude Rhea
1879-1949

Epps, Torry
Died 1870

Estes, Asa
Born Apr. 10, 1817
Died Apr. 13, 1896

His wife Catherine
Born Nov. 28, 1819
Died June 22, 1883

Estes, Child of Ben Estes

Estes, Florence V.
Born Dec. 19, 1869
Died Apr. 25, 1922

Estes, Fred R.
Born Dec. 4, 1869
Died May 17, 1934

Estes, Gracie Ruth
Born Oct. 3, 1896
Died Feb. 19, 1900

Estes, Granville
Born Apr. 18, 1882
Died May 1, 1955

Estes, Jesse J.
Born June 3, 1893
Died Apr. 20, 1898

Estes, John T.
Born Oct. 25, 1895
Died Dec. 12, 1895

Estes, Lula C.
Born Oct. 28, 1879
Died May 27, 1933

Estes, Ordley D.
Born June 5, 1896
Died May 20, 1898

Estes, Robert B.
Born Feb. 7, 1843
Died Jan. 7, 1920

His wife Laurha J. Brown
Born Feb. 3, 1850
Died Oct. 10, 1917

Estes, Sam
Born Feb. 13, 1860
Died Nov. 14, 1920

His wife Alice
Born Oct. 27, 1859
Died Apr. 8, 1950

Estes, S. Rhea
1900-1902

Everett, Elton J.
April 30, 1943
Age 50 yr

Faris, Ralph Neal
Born Sept. 28, 1903
Died July 17, 1905

Fellows, Louisa Moore
Born May 6, 1864
Died Feb. 27, 1940

Fields, Clara Ethel
Born May 1, 1893
Died Feb. 14, 1901

Fields, Henry
Born Jan. 29, 1853
Died Apr. 28, 1899

Flagg, Elizabeth H.
1861-1942

Flagg, Elizabeth Hughes
Wife of Dr. John M. Flagg
Born in Maryland Jan. 31, AD 1800
Died at Rogersville, Tenn
Dec. 16, AD 1859

Flagg, Maj. H. G.
Son of Dr. John M & Elizabeth R.
Born June 20, 1828
Died Apr. 9, 1905

Flagg, Col. J. S.
Son of Dr.John & Elizabeth R.
Born Sept. 2, 1823
Died July 11, 1900

Flagg, Joseph W.
1871-1957

Flagg, Nelson Campbell
Son of Maj. H.G. & Martha A.
Born Sept. 25, 1866
Died May 6, 1892

Fleenor, Lillie Mae
Wife of H. R. Fleenor
Born Nov. 24, 1889
Died Feb. 10, 1934

Franklin, Amelia Flagg
Dau. of Maj. H.G. & Mattie A. Flagg
Born Jan. 8, 1865
Died Mar 11, 1907

Gilbert, Allie V.
Born Mar. 19, 1899
Died Mar. 9, 1917

Gilbert, David N.
Born Dec. 9, 1856
Died Jan. 1, 1905

Gilbert, Rev. Henry F.
Born Mar. 11, 1859
Died Mar. 27, 1910

Gilbert, Jake O.
Born June 1, 1896
Died Jan 19, 1929

Gilbert, Nannie Haun
Wife of Henry F. Gilbert
Born Oct. 21, 1860
Died Sept 10, 1942

Gilbert, Rev. Thomas
Born Oct. 27, 1825
Died Feb. 11, 1904

Gilbert, Warren G.
Born Apr. 1, 1890
Died Aug. 22, 1915

Goin, Allen Clay
Born Sept 21, 1950
Died Feb. 21, 1960

Goin, Barbara Lou
Born Nov. 26, 1952
Died Jan. 29, 1954

Goin, Verl Helton
Born Nov. 11, 1929
Died Feb. 21, 1960

Gorden, Dudley Randle
Son of J.C. & M.J. Gorden
Born Oct. 5, 1887
Died Sept.2, 1888

Graves, Andy Titus
1905-1960

Grim, Mattie L. Cary
Wife of E. M. Grim
Born June 7, 1860
Died Nov. 15, 1879

Guthrie, Charles L.
Born June 2, 1915
Died July 4, 1941

Guthrie, Ollie Gilbert

Guthrie, Charlie Raymond
Born Mar. 13, 1889
Died Aug. 12, 1921

Guthrie, Wm. J.
Born May 10, 1918
Died Sept. 19, 1918

Hale, Matt M.
Wife of A. E. Hale
Born Mar. 9, 1848
Died July 7, 1877

Hale, Infant Dau of J.H & N.L. Hale
Born and Died May 22, 1904

Hale, Infant Son of J.H. & N.L. Hale
Born and Died Apr. 27, 1906

Hampton, James Wade
May 13, 1951
Age 88 yr

Harmon, Junius B.
Born Mar. 25, 1886
Died Sept.14, 1952

His wife
Mabel D. White
Born Mar. 5, 1890

Harmon, Katie I.
Wife of W. R. Harmon
Born Feb. 5, 1855
Died May 14, 1894

Harmon, Kenneth N.
Born June 7, 1930
Died Jan. 31, 1938

Harmon, Madge D.
Dau of J.B. & M.D. Harmon
Born Aug. 13, 1914
Died Apr. 26, 1916

Harmon, Margrette W.
Dau of J.B. & M.D. Harmon
Born Mar. 26, 1917
Died Jan. 21, 1923

Harmon, W. R.
Co. A. 4th Tenn. Inf

Harris, Edward Lee
Born Oct. 20, 1880
Died Nov. 25, 1953

Harris, James
Born Jan. 6, 1808
Died July 17, 1865

Harris, Leannah
Born Apr. 18, 1844
Died Jan. 19, 1919

Harris, Maggie N.
Born Apr. 4, 1882
Died Nov. 24, 1901

Harris, Marthy E.
Born Nov. 4, 1861
Died Jan. 9, 1891

Harris, W. J.
Born Mar. 27, 1838
Died June 20, 1908

Harrison, Lucile
Dau. of T.B. & Willie Harrison
Born Jan. 29, 1896
Died May 8, 1897

Haun, Abraham
Born Dec. 13, 1804
Died July 17, 1858

Haun, A. (no date)

Haun, C. P.
Born July 14, 1892

His wife Lucy Beach
Born Nov. 27, 1897
Died Aug. 5, 1954

Haun, C. P.
Born Sept. 21, 1854
Died Jan. 10, 1909

His wife, Dollie
Born May 2, 1857
Died Aug. 1, 1899

Haun, Elizabeth
Born June 16, 1836
Died Jan. 15, 1848

Haun, Eliza
Dau. of Jas. & Fannie Haun
Born _____ 1827
Died Mar 19, 1887

Haun, Frances
Born Feb. 12, 1802
Died Jan 15, 1856

Haun, George Mitchell
Born Sept. 23, 1857
Died Dec. 28, 1940

His wife, Mary Isabell Charles
Born Jan. 23, 1868
Died Oct. 20, 1893

Haun, I. P.
Born Mar. 26, 1818
Died Dec. 19, 1898

His wife Mary Jane Horner
Born Feb. 22, 1827
Died May 4, 1902

Haun, Isaac
Born Dec. 6, 1829
Died Dec. 22, 1863

Haun, James W.
Born Nov. 4, 1875
Died May 22, 1935

Haun, James
Born June 1, 1802
Died Dec. 11, 1870

Haun, J. W.
Born Apr. 9, 1844
Died Feb. 23, 1914

His wife, Mary E. Haun
Born June 1, 1832
Died Mar. 2, 1917

Haun, Joel
Born Nov. 15, 1822
Died Jan. 24, 1872
Married Aug. 13, 1846

His wife Betsey Ann Mitchell
Born Oct. 1, 1830
Died Mar. 9, 1901

Haun, L. M.
Co. C. 8th Tenn Cav.
Son of I.P. & Mary Jane Haun
Born Jan. 14, 1845
Died Nov. 13, 1864

Haun, Lillie J.
Dau of Joseph & M. Haun
Born July 27, 18__
Died Jan. 29, 1887

Haun, Lucy Ann
1941-1959

Haun, Lucy J.
Born March 14, 1841
Died June 4, 1910

Haun, Mabel V.
Born June 29, 1891
Died Sept. 2, 1922

Haun, Martha
Consort of Joseph
Born May 5, (?)
Died Oct. 11, 1874

Haun, Milburn
Died Jan. 20, 1889
Age 29 yr 11 mo 27 da

Haun, Nancy
Born Sept. 16, 1806
Died June 4, 1890

Haun, Nancy
Born March 2, 186__
Died Aug. 28, 1887

Haun, Ruby L.
Born Sept 23, 1888
Died Jan. 4, 1914

Haun, Sam L.
Born July 18, 1872
Died Jan. 26, 1937

His wife Maldanota Rader
Born Mar. 12, 1886
Died Jan. 24, 1959

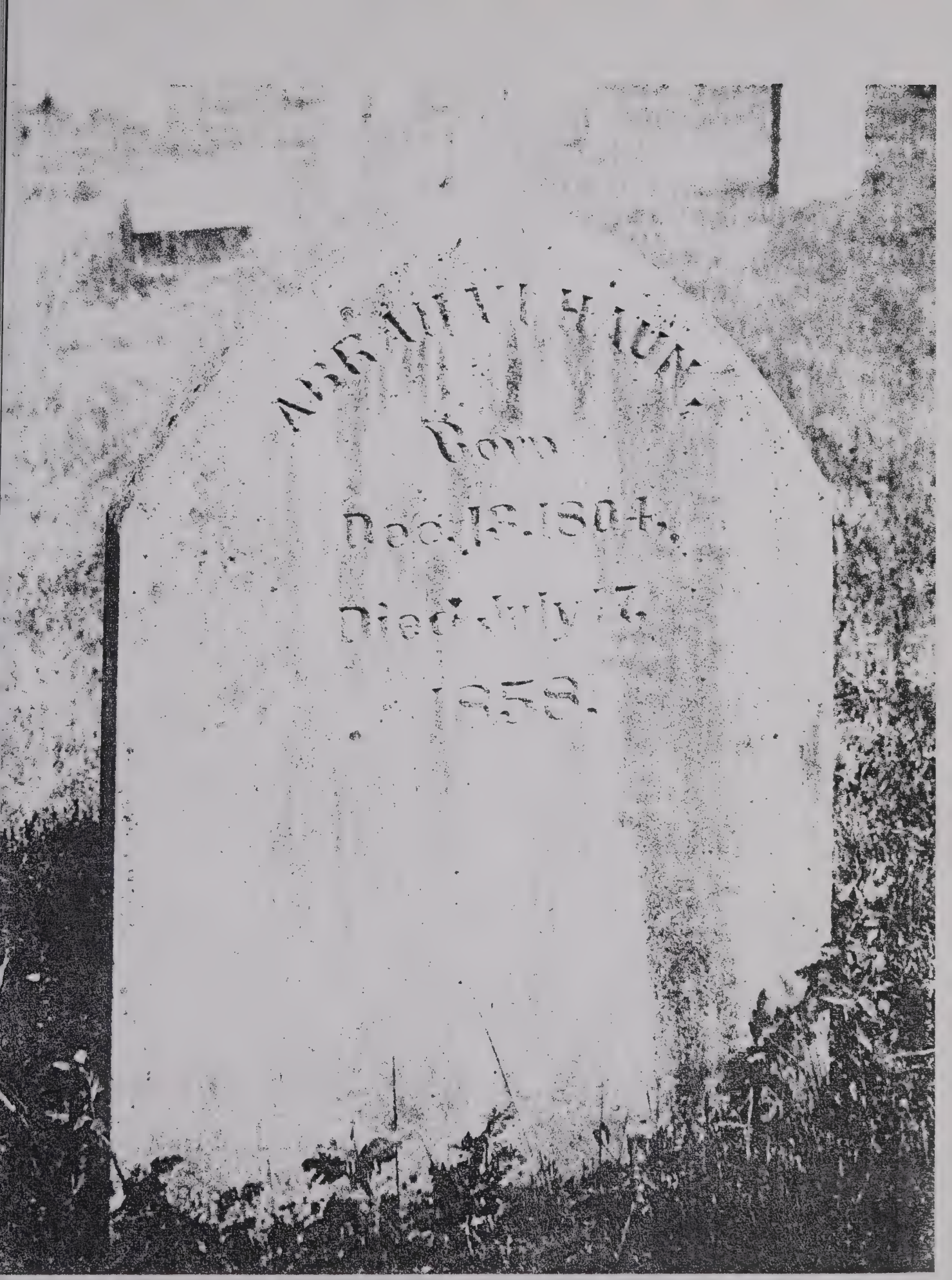
Haun, Sara A.
Born Dec. 22, 1834
Died July 3, 1905

Haun, Senter
Born Feb. 8, 1849
Died April 10, 1934

His wife Ophelia K. West
Born July 11, 1857
Died

Haun, W. A.
Born Sept. 13, 1825
Died Jan. 25, 1907

His wife, Eliza J. Pangle
Born June 24, 1826
Died April 14, 1864


Born
Dec. 1804.
Died July 12
1862.

Haun, William N.
Born July 31, 1841
Died July 1, 1924

His wife, Vany Cornelia Lane
Born May 22, 1842
Died Sept 14, 1908

Hawkins, Braxton P.
Born Oct. 23, 1903
Died Mar. 5, 1957

Hayes, Eli Henry
Born June 5, 1883
Died Aug 31, 1946

Hayes, Gertrude Stubblefield
Born July 9, 1884
Died Apr. 17, 1950

Helton, Carroll Brooks
1958-1959

Henard, Jesse R.
Born July 20, 1924
Died July 28, 1925

Henard, Martha J. Brooks
1894, 1932

Henderson, Dick
Born Aug. 25, 1848
Died Mar. 8, 1917

Hensley, Walter Joe
Aug. 6, 1951

Horner, Carmel
Born 1903
Died 1959

His wife Blanche R.
1899-

Horner, Cavalier
Died Nov. 14, 1834

Horner, C. J.
Born 1880
Died ____

His wife Cleo Hudson
1882-1928

Horner, Colman
Born June 29, ____
Died July 6, 1869

Horner, Dederick N.
Born June 15, 1850
Died Dec. 6, 1920

His wife, Julia A. (Wolfe)
Born Sept 26, 1880

Horner, Sergt. Elbert
Co.C. 8th Tenn. Cav.

Horner, E. J.
Daughter of P. & R. Horner
Born Feb. 11, 1838
Died Sept 28, 1844

Horner, Gaines
Born Sept. 22, 1866
Died Apr. 25, 1955

His wife Edna V.
Born Feb. 23, 1866
Died Sept 23, 1940

Horner, Hattie L.
Born June 19, 1860
Died Oct. 2, 1902

Horner, Henry
Born Mar 2, 1858
Died May 27, 1929

Horner, Infant Dau. of
P. & E. Horner
Born June 17, 1889

Horner, Jake P.
Born Apr. 2, 1882

His wife Kate Lane
Born June 10, 1879
Died Jan. 18, 1938

Horner, James D.
Born Oct. 19, 1874
Died Feb. 7, 1937

Horner, James D. Jr.
Born Dec. 13, 1913
Died May 5, 1931

Horner, Jess
Born Feb. 16, 1882
Died Mar. 27, 1926

Horner, J.P.
Born Sept. 14, 1877
Died Aug. 27, 1936

Horner, L.F.
Son of P. & R. Horner
Born Dec. 13, 1837
Died Apr. 3, 1853

Horner, Lovona J. Dorris
Wife of D. N. Horner
Born Mar. 29, 1862
Died July 11, 1906

Horner, Lucy V.
Born Nov. 26, 1886

Horner, M. A.
Dau. of P. & R. Horner
Born May 3, 1841
Died Sept. 30, 1844

Horner, Mac H.
Son of L. & L. Horner
Born Feb. 14, 1895
Died Feb. 26, 1896

Horner, M. T.
Born Dec. 16, 1860
Died Mar 15, 186__(?)

Horner, Mollie L.
Dau. of P.W. & M.M. Horner
Born Apr. 29, 1869
Died May 24, 1870

Horner, Oliver W.
Born July 25, 1922
Died Jan 13, 1923

Horner, Pleasant W.
Born Feb. 26, 1846
Died Mar 14, 1912

His wife Martha M. Phillips
Born Feb. 9, 1845
Died Mar. 20, 1926

Horner, Rev. P.
Born Nov. 5, 1813
Died Oct. 29, 1884

His wife Rebecca
Born Feb. 7, 1813
Died Aug. 28, 1879

Horner, Reese L.
Born Feb. 19, 1906
Died Jan 7, 1955

Horner, Robert C.
1864-1940

His wife Mattie E.
1869-1943

Horner, Sara
Died June 28, 1817

Horner, Infant dau. of
P. & E. Horner
Jan. 17, 1883

Horner, Taylor
Son of Will Horner
(By authority of Ernest Lane)

Horner, Thomas J.
Son of P.W. & M.M. Horner
Born Apr. 24, 1871
Died Oct. 24, 1871

Horner, Dr. T. N.
Born July 17, 1820
Died July 19, 1904

His wife, Elizabeth
Born Nov. 6, 1822
Died June 9, 1895

Horner, W. A.
Son of P. & R. Horner
Born Nov. 8, 1836
Died Aug. 10, 1838

Horner, Wm. Sen.
Born Oct. 30, 1746
Died Oct. 12, 1824

His wife Elizabeth (Aldridge)
Born Aug. 17, 1747
Died March 11, 1823

Horner, Wm. J.
Born Dec. 22, 1816
Died Aug. 16, 1870

His wife, Sara L.
Born Jan. 6, 1825
Died Mar. 27, 1902

Horner, William R.
Born July 16, 1856
Died May 26, 1923

His wife, Dora M.
Born Nov. 26, 1868
Died Jan. 13, 1945

Stone of Lum Thanna Sa

Horner, Wm. R.
Born Oct. 11, 1834
Died Mar. 3, 1899

His wife, Elizabeth Lane
Born Mar. 11, 1838
Died May 25, 1916

Hunt, Dianah
Born 1753
Died 1828

Hurst, John
1843-1926

His wife, Laura J.
1856-1925

Hurst, Ruth
Dau. of John & Laura Hurst
Born Aug. 29, 1899
Died Sept. 3, 1899

Janeway, George Marion
Born Apr. 29, 1877
Died July 15, 1942

Jarnagin, John H.
1875-1949

Jenkins, Alfred
1841-1908

Jenkins, Loyd
1902-1921

Jenkins, Nannie
1866-1939

Jenkins, Pizarro R.
Born Oct. 1, 1905
Died Oct. 29, 1958

Jenkins, William H.
Born Jan. 19, 1903
Died Nov. 23, 1941

Jennings, Bobbie Lee
Son of R. L. & Ethel Jennings
Born May 19, 1932
Died Dec. 6, 1940

Johnson, Elbert W.
Son of A.D. & L. Johnson
Born Jan.14, 1863
Died Dec.14, 1887

Johnson, Dr. T. D.
Born Oct. 20, 1798
Died Apr. 29, 1841

Kesterson, Clyde
Born Oct. 25, 1885
Died Mar. 18, 1886

Kesterson, James L.
Born August 28, 1854
Died June 21, 1915

Kesterson, Lloyd
Born Dec. 12, 1879
Died Jan 21, 1939

Kesterson, Mollie
Born Feb. 5, 1878
Died Oct. 30, 1882

Kesterson, Sue Grigsby
Born Dec. 2, 1853
Died Dec. 5, 1939

Kesterson, Valdes
Born Oct. 7, 1875
Died Oct. 17, 1882

Kesterson, Son of
Mr. and Mrs. James Kesterson
1883

Kirkpatrick, Ann E.
Dau. of Wm. & N. Kirkpatrick
Born Oct. 16, 1849
Died Nov. 28, 1850

Kirkpatrick, Harriett N.
Wife of P. M. Kirkpatrick
Born Feb. 22, 1823
Died Nov. 26, 1901

Kirkpatrick, Hugh Lawson White
Son of Jacob and Isabella
Kirkpatrick
Born Aug. 31, 1818
Died Aug. 30, 1853

Kirkpatrick, Jacob Moore
Born Feb. 4, 1844
Died Apr. 23, 1908
Co. D. 1st Tenn. Cav.
U.S.A. 1862-65

Kirkpatrick, James Albert
Son of Jas. E. & Lillie A
Kirkpatrick
Born Apr. 30, 1903
Died Oct. 2, 1903

Kirkpatrick, Jessie O. M.
Dau. of J.M. & L.C.Kirkpatrick
Born July 9, 1884
Died Feb. 8, 1901

Kirkpatrick, John
Pvt. North Carolina Troops
Revolutionary War
Born May 1741
Died March 1812

His wife, Jane Wilkins

Kirkpatrick, John B.
Born Jan. 20, 1860
Died April 28, 1938

Kirkpatrick, Laura C.
Wife of Jm. M. Kirkpatrick
Born Aug. 18, 1845
Died June 13, 1903

Kirkpatrick, Marion
Born Mar. 19, 1862
Died Apr. 25, 1862

Kirkpatrick, Martha
Born Nov. 15, 1855
Died Oct. 17, 1856

Kirkpatrick, Martha R.
Born Oct. 13, 1857
Died Mar. 17, 1924

Kirkpatrick, Mary
Born Dec. 11, 1850
Died Mar. 24, 1924

Kirkpatrick, Naomi
Wife of William Kirkpatrick
Born Feb. 23, 1817
Died Jan. 10, 1894

Kirkpatrick, Harriett N.
Wife of P. M. Kirkpatrick
Born Feb. 22, 1823
Died Nov. 26, 1901

Kirkpatrick, P. M.
Born Jan. 15, 1815
Died Mar. 21, 1890

Kirkpatrick, R.C.H
1812

Kirkpatrick, William M.
Born Dec. 12, 1807
Died May 13, 1867

Kirkpatrick, Wilkins
Born July 23, 1854
Died Mar. 13, 1926

Lane, Capt. A. J.
Co. D. 1st Tenn. Cav

Lane, Curtis A.
Born July 13, 1879
Died Jan. 8, 1919

Lane, Edgar
Son of G.M. & M.M. Lane
Born Oct. 20, 1891
Died Aug 20, 1896

Lane, Elcy

Lane, Eliza Emeline
Born Mar. 2, 1833
Died Apr. 24, 1904

Lane, Euna V.
Dau. of J.A. & L.M.Lane
Born Oct. 10, 1904
Died Nov. 20, 1914

Lane, Fred J.
Born Feb. 4, 1872
Died Dec. 25, 1926

Lane, Garrett
Born Nov. 30, 1834
Died July 22, 1900

His wife
Sarah A. Lane
Born Apr. 8, 1841
Died June 16, 1913

Lane, Hugh E.
Born 1858
Died 1942

His Wife
Alice Talley
Born 1863
Died 1939

Lane, Isaac
Born Aug. 8, 1788
Died Dec. 9, 1866

His wife Rebecca
Born Aug. 4, 1790
Died Sept. 16, 1841

Lane, John A.
Born Dec. 9, 1876
Died May 11, 1915

His wife, Lizzie M.(Gorden)
Born May 24, 1878
Died Sept 12, 1949

Lane, J. C.
Son of Garrett and Sarah Lane
Born Sept. 22, 1884
Died Oct. 24, 1906

Lane, John S.
Born Feb. 13, 1805
Died Dec. 16, 1884

His wife, Elizabeth
Born Oct. 28, 1811
Died June 26, 1845

Lane, Lavana E.
(no date)

Lane, M
(no date)

Lane, Mollie E.
Dau. of Garrett & Sarah Lane
Born Dec. 12, 1872
Died Aug. 22, 1902

Lane, Nancy
Born Apr 6, 1836

Lane, Nancy
(no date)

Lane, Newton
Born Nov. 19, 1829
Died June 30, 1896

His wife, Nancy Coffman
Born Apr. 5, 1841
Died Mar. 4, 1900

Lane, O.
Born Apr. 30, 1840

Lane, Rual
Son of J.A. & L.M.Lane
Born Oct. 30, 1899
Died Nov. 2, 1900

Lane, Sally
(no date)

Lane, Tarleton
Born Dec. 20, 1806
Died Apr. 14, 1883

His wife, Mary C.
Born Mar. 5, 1828
Died Aug. 18, 1873

Lane, Rev. Thos. J.
Born Oct. 9, 1804
Died July 3, 1888

His wife, Vany
Born Feb. 9, 1806
Died July 8, 1883

Lane, Vany
Age 1 year - 1861

Lane, William
Born Feb. 14, 1843
Died Feb. 14, 1922

His wife, Mary A. Pangle
Born Feb. 18, 1842
Died Sept. 24, 1903

Lane, W. T. (Bud)
Born Mar. 9, 1862
Died July 22, 1933

Lee, Pearl M.
Born Feb. 13, 1889
Died Apr. 27, 1956

Leffew, Josie M.
Born Feb. 15, 1863
Died Apr. 27, 1935

Legg, Bithe D.
Dau. of J.W. & Frances Legg
Born July 8, 1851
Died Aug. 10, 1903

Legg, Cathern J.
Dau. of J.W. & F.M.Legg
Born Oct. 28, 1849
Died Aug. 21, 1894

Legg, Frances M.
Wife of John W. Legg
Born Jan. 20, 1831
Died Jan. 21, 1904

Legg, John W.
Born Feb. 10, 1825
Died Sept. 13, 1889

Legg, Jno. W.
Born May 20, 1860
Died Jan. 22, 1927

Legg, Theo E.
Born Aug. 25, 1875
Died Aug. 29, 1943

Lewis, Louetta Shields
Dau. of T.J. & D.G. Lewis
Born July 11, 1883
Died Jan. 8, 1888

Lewis, Thomas J.
Born Dec. 1, 1856
Died June 15, 1902

His wife, Dora G. Moore
Born (no dates)

Lipps, Laura White
Died Jan 19, 1955
Age 84 yrs.

Long, James H.
Died July 10, 1893
Age 79

His wife, Rutha J. Fieldon
Born Mar. 30, 1899
Age 66

Long, James L.
Son of James & Rutha Long
Born Dec. 1855
Died Dec. 1870

Long, Joseph Clinton
Born Nov. 29, 1859
Died July 12, 1903

His wife, Margaret Alice
Born Jan. 23, 1865
Died Mar. 21, 1948

Long, Joe T.
1904-1958

Long, W. R.
Son of J. & R.J.Long
Born Sept 10, 1858
Died Dec. 25, 1858

McBride, Callie D.
Wife of N.H. McBride
1864-1885

McBride, Garnet
Son of Mr. & Mrs. N.H. McBride
1898-1899

McBride, Neal H.
1861-1940

McBride, Lucy J.
1868-1907

McBride, Infant son of
Mr. & Mrs. N.H. McBride
1896

McDonald, Alexander
Born July 25, 1768
Died Sept. 3, 1834

McFerrin, son of
B.A. & E. M. McFerrin
Born Dec. 23, 1881
Died Mar. 14, 1896

McNew, Manerva J.
Wife of John B. McNew
Born June 19, 1836
Died. Oct. 24, 1905

Mason, Lavinia
Born Apr.5, 1821
Died July 16, 1902

Miller,Bess Haun
Wife of Harvey S. Miller
Born Sept. 25, 1881
Died July 30, 1911

Miller, Ella J. Roddy
Wife of J. L. Miller
Born Oct. 10, 1863
Died Sept. 4, 1895

Mooney, Louisa Harrison
July 11, 1949
Age 74 yr, 9 mo, 16 da

Mooney, Joe
(no dates)

Mooney, Joseph D.
Born July 10, 1837
Died Dec. 26, 1913

His wife, Mary Haun
Born Aug. 6, 1838
Died Jan. 17, 1921

Moore, Andrew
Born Nov. 16, 1824
Died Mar. 7, 1802
Married Oct. 6, 1853

His wife, Ruth Ann Wood
Died July 7, 1877
Age 44 yr

Moore, Bessie M.
Dau. of S.J. & P.S. Moore
Born May 24, 1879
Died Sept. 23, 1903

Moore, Dr. Chas. G.
1862-1947

His wife, Hannah M.
1874-1955

Moore, Dewey H.
Son of G.W. & M.E.Moore
Born Feb. 8, 1897
Died Apr. 28, 1916

Moore, Eleanor
Born June 9, 1817
Died Dec. 11, 1873

Moore, George W.
1866-1943

His wife, Mary E.
1870-1950

Moore, James M.
Born Sept. 7, 1819
Died Apr. 9, 1853

Moore, Jodie E.
Born Dec. 31, 1871
Died Oct. 22, 1888

Moore, John
Born Feb. ____ 1804
Died Apr. 29, 1897

His wife, Eliza
Born Apr. 7, 1837
Died Apr. 14, 1908

Moore, John W.
Born June 24, 1888
Died Oct. 17, 1928

His wife, Martha A.
Born Apr. 12, 1842
Died June 11, 1916

Moore, J. Frank
Born Dec. 4, 1913
Died Jan. 11, 1944

Moore, J. H.
Born Dec. 17, 1828
Died Jan. 1, 1912

His wife, Maldanota Cobble
Born Nov. 6, 1834
Died Apr. 24, 1879

Moore, J. L. (no date)

Moore, J. (no date)

Moore, W.M. (no date)

Moore, Minerva
Dau. of Robert and Jane Moore
Born 1826
Died 1854

Moore, R. (no date)

Moore, Robert
Born 1774
Died 1852

His wife, Jane Howard
Born 1796
Died 1843

Moore, Robert Patterson
Born Dec. 27, 1827
Died Dec. 22, 1884

Moore, Infant son of
Geo. & Mary Moore

Born Oct.22, 1903
Age 1 mo.

Moore, S. J.
Born May 7, 1838
Died June 2, 1925

His wife, Mary K. Long
Born Feb. 12, 1847
Died Apr. 22, 1919

Moore, Virdie
Dau. of Geo. & Mary Moore
Died Aug. 6, 1900
Age 2 mo.

Moore, W. (no date)

Morgan, Mary E. A.
Born July 27, 1840
Died Aug. 20, 1903

Morrison, Ruby Moore
Born Oct. 19, 1898
Died Nov. 23, 1924

Morrison, Infant son of
Ruby Moore & W. C. Morrison
Nov. 8, 1924

Murdock, I. G.
Born May 6, 1844
Died Sept. 25, 1905

His wife, Nancy A.
Born Jan 13, 1851
Died May 31, 1924

Murdock, J. M. P.
Born Nov. 23, 1830
Died Oct. 1, 1907

Murdock, W. M.
Born Jan. 8, 1829
Died Aug. 8, 1916

His wife.Elizabeth J.
Born Sept. 4, 1839
Died Apr. 7, 1924

Murdock, Wilson D.
Born May 6, 1832
Died Apr. 6, 1859

Murmann, Lucy Annis
Wife of Gustave Murmann
Born Jan. 20, 1861
Died Apr. 9, 1892

Murphy, Lula
1859-1876

Murphy, William
Co. G. 5th U.S. Vol. Inf

Mynatt, Allie M.
Wife of M. C. Mynatt
Born June 2, 1859
Died Dec. 30, 1884

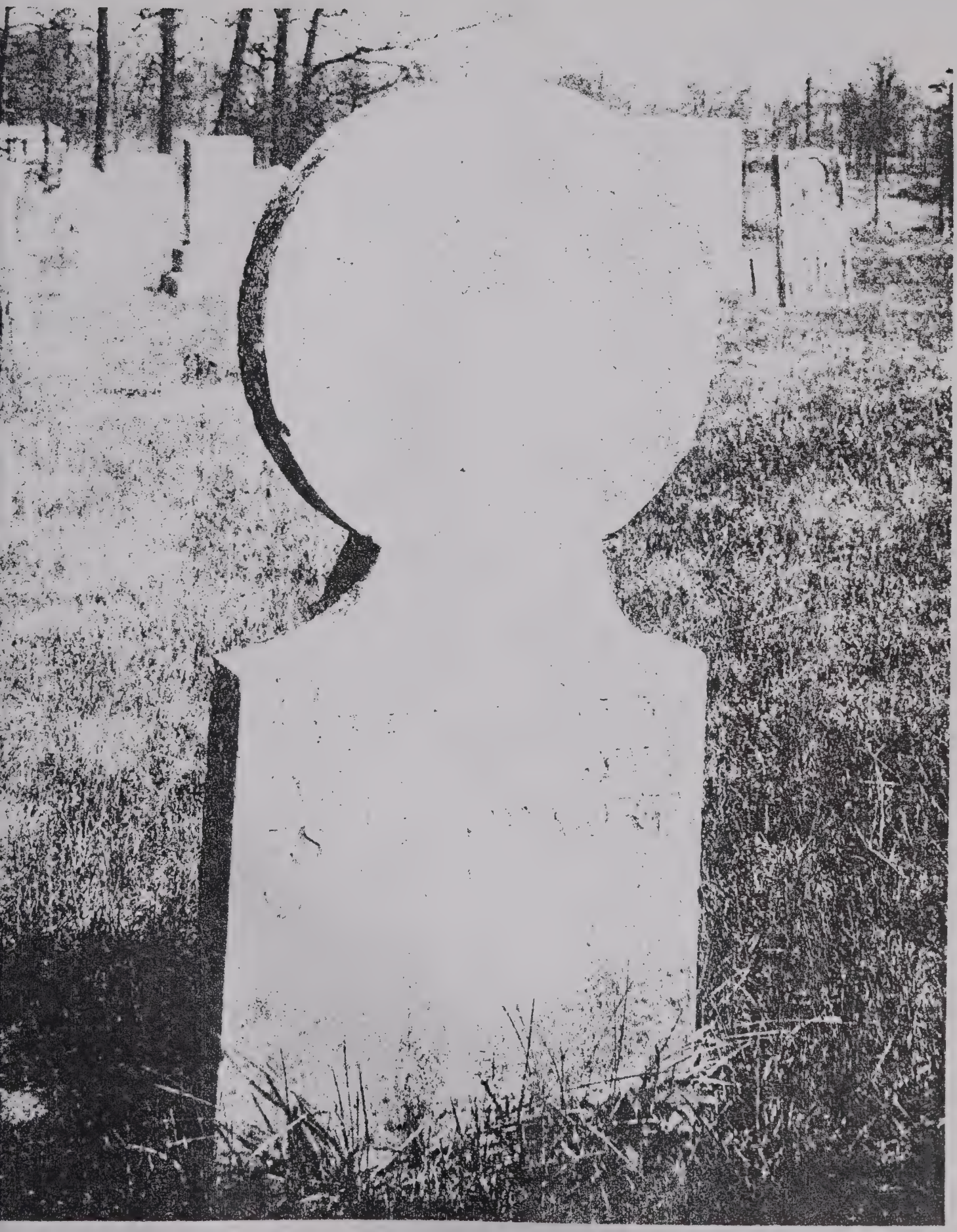
Mynatt, Vernita
Dau. of M. C. & A. M. Mynatt
Born and Died Dec. 25, 1884

Neal, Oppie G.
Born Jan. 17, 1866
Died May 18, 1903

Nenney, James L.
Born Oct. 19, 1811
Died Sept. 17, 1838

Nenney, Patrick
Died April 28, 1824

Nicholes, Fred P.
Son of J.A. & Rohema Nicholes
Born Aug. 31, 1892
Died June 13, 1911



Oakes, D. W.
Born Sept. 1, 1813
Died May 3, 1892

Oakes, J. W.
Born May 10, 1865
Died Sept. 8, 1891

Oakes, T. C.
Born Nov. 16, 1860
Died June 23, 1895

Orrick, Josie Arwood
1880-1957

Ott, Bettie Drake
Born May 6, 1869
Died Feb. 17, 1929

Ott, Blanche R.
Dau. of W.S. & L.B. Ott
Born June 26, 1894
Died Sept. 18, 1897

Pangle, Catherine
Born June 1, 1804
Died June 16, 1862

Pangle, Caty L.
Born June 25, 1858
Died Feb. 1, 1862

Pangle, Eva
Born Mar.1. 1860
Died Nov. 24, 1939

Pangle, Ewell F.
Born Oct. 30, 1862
Died July 25, 1933

His wife, Lillie A. Taylor
Born Sept 8, 1870
Died -

Pangle, G. C.
Born Mar. 11, 1809
Died Apr. 29, 1897

His wife, Elizabeth
Born May 8, 1812
Died Dec. 24, 1855

Pangle, Harriet Vivian
Dau. of J.W. & Hattie Pangle
Born and Died Nov. 2 , 1921

Pangle, H. L.
Born Feb. 8, 1835

Pangle, H. L.
Born Feb. 8, 1835
Died July 24, 1912

Pangle, J. P.(or J. F.)
Son of Wm. & Catherine Pangle
Born Oct. 3, 1841
Killed in Battle at Raytown,
Tenn. Oct. 11, 1863

Pangle, Isaac N.
Born Oct. 30, 1830
Died Nov. 30, 1908

Pangle, Jacob W.
Born May 22, 1867
Died July 4, 1933

His Wife, Sallie N. Howery
Born Feb. 28, 1875
Died July 24, 1916

Pangle, James
Born Aug. 4, 1832
Died Nov. 5, 1835

Pangle, Lewis Folk
Son of J.W. & S.N. Pangle
Born June 20, 1908
Died Dec. 30, 1909

Pangle, Lillian C. White
Wife of J. W. Pangle
Born July 26, 1897
Died Sept. 9, 1918

Pangle, Linda L.
Dau. of E.F. & L.A. Pangle
Born Mar. 31, 1902
Died Oct. 25, 1908

Pangle, Lutetia A.
wife of Isaac N. Pangle
Born Apr 10, 1847
Died Dec. 19, 1907

Pangle, Mary Alice
1868-1954

Pangle, Mary A.
Born Aug. 30, 1845
Died Feb. 16, 1917

Pangle, Mattie M.
Born Jan. 30, 1875
Died Apr. 22, 1942

Pangle, Patrick H.
Son of Wm. S. & H.M. Pangle
Born Sept. 14, 1875
Died Apr. 6, 1880

Pangle, Susan
Dau. of G.C. & E. Pangle
Born June 18, 1848
Died July 2, 1849.

Pangle, Thomas Grant
1865-1939

Pangle, William
May 5, 1803
Oct. 13, 1894

His wife Mary Witt
Born July 22, 1819
Died Feb. 3, 1872

Pangle, Wm. S.
Born Oct. 15, 1839
Died June 14, 1911.

His wife Harriet M. Cockreham
Born Jan. 31, 1842
Died July 26, 1906.

Pangle, Willie
Infant son of E.F. & Lillie Ann Pangle
Born Aug. 28, 1900
Died Sept. 25, 1900

Pangle, W. D.
Born Feb. 4, 1871
Died Dec. 27, 1891

Parvin, Nancy
Born Dec. 3, 1833
Died Mar. 11, 1894

Parvin, George C.
1875-1940

His wife, Myrta J. (Haun)
1874-

Parvin, Robert Clyde
Son of R.E. & V.H. Parvin
Born Jan 20, 1894
Died July 19, 1896

Parvin, Robert E.
Born July 5, 1851
Died Dec. 26, 1905

Patton, Mollie P.
Dau. of L. & G.W.Patton
Born Oct. 6, 1875
Died Jan.27, 1876

Pinkston, Sam
Born March 14, 1883
Died Aug. 21, 1951

His wife Sallie (Ballard)
Born Jan. 20, 1883
Died Aug. 30, 1955

Pruitt, James E.
1877-1960

Pruitt, John Daly
Born Sept. 24, 1886
Died May 1, 1948

Pruitt, Mary Kate (Alexander)
Nov. 30, 1936
Age 54

Pruitt, Stella Welch
Wife of John Daly Pruitt
Born May 18, 1881

Pullen, Eaton
Born Aug. 2, 1824
Died Feb. 29, 1884
Married May 18, 1862

His wife, Elizabeth E. Yoe
Born Apr. 26, 1837
Died Aug. 29, 1916

Quillen, Bell
Dau. of J.L. & E.B. Quillen
Born Jan 2, 1875
Died June 11, 1876

Quillen, Charlie Myers
1865-1948

Quillen, Eliza B.
1836-1920

Quillen, Dr. J. L.
1825-1905

Quillen, Lula Brown
1867-1939

Quillen, Maude Bernice
Born Oct. 12, 1893
Died Sept. 25, 1897

Quillen, Montie Ferol
Born Sept. 6, 1891
Died Oct. 2, 1924

Rader, Infant of
E. C. & Mollie Rader
Born Sept 4, 1890
Died Oct. 7, 1890

Rader, Earnest L.
Born Mar. 15, 1888
Died Oct. 2, 1959

His wife Willie M.
Born Mar. 23, 1888

Rader, Elbert C.
Born Nov. 12, 1860
Died Jan 25, 1950

His wife Mollie E. Moore
Born Feb. 24, 1868
Died Mar. 26, 1945

Rader, Evelyn Cox
Dau. of R.S. & P.R. Rader
Born Sept. 25, 1910
Died Feb. 22, 1915

Rader, Corda Bell
Dau. of L. & M.A. Rader
Born April 28, 1867
Died Nov. 10, 1868

Rader, Cornelius
Born Sept 24, 1862
Died Oct. 23, 1924

His wife Loulia Belle Moore
Born Jan. 9, 1866
Died Mar. 4, 1922

Rader, Lemuel
Born May 25, 1832
Died Sept 23, 1899

His wife Melvina Kirkpatrick
Born Oct. 5, 1834
Died Sept 4, 1911

Rader, Marian E.
1902-1923

Rader, Mary Emma
Dau of L. & M. Rader
Born Mar 3, 1872
Died Aug 11, 1892

Rhea, Anna Mae
Dau. of C. E. and N.R. Rhea
Born May 21, 1888

Rhea, Charlie, E.
Born Nov. 29, 1865
Died Nov. 30, 1888

Rhea, David
Born Aug. 29, 1834
Died Oct. 31, 1896

His wife, Minerva Horner
Born Jan 4, 1840
Died June 27, 1879

Rhea, Emily J.
Born Dec. 24, 1856
Died Jan. 23, 1937

Rhea, F. M.
Born Jan 12, 1853
Died May 1, 1916

Rhea, Harvey
Born Oct. 30, 1876
Died Dec. 22, 1899

Rhea, Inez
Dau. of J.S. & M.E. Rhea
Born Apr. 20, 1883
Died Aug. 18, 1883

Rhea, Nancy J.
Born Aug. 25, 1836
Died June 18, 1894

Rhea Robert
Born Nov. 27, 1821
Died May 13, 1902

Rhea, Lucretia
Born Oct. 1, 1827
Died Apr. 2, 1889

Rippetoe, James W.
Born Jan 22, 1871
Died Mar. 17, 1939

His wife, Ethel Ottinger
Born Nov. 4, 1877
Died. Apr. 14, 1956

Rippetoe, Geo. W.
Born Mar 14, 1834
Died Feb. 22, 1902

His wife, Eliza A. Courtney
Born Jan 28, 1834
Died Oct. 31, 1918

Rippetoe, William P.
Born Dec. 27, 1830
Died Apr. 11, 1862

Roddy, Elizabeth
Born Mar 15, 1836
Died July 14, 1899

Roddy, Elizabeth Neal
Born May 13, 1867
Died Apr. 2, 1937

Roddy, Isabel Fain
Born Feb. 14, 1842
Died March 29, 1912

Roddy, John F.
Son of T.F. and B. M. Roddy
Born June 4, 1874
Died Dec. 9, 1874

Roddy, Lydia Nenney
Born July 30, 1801
Died Jan. 20, 1887

Roddy, Thomas F.
Born June 18, 1830
Died May 10, 1886

Roddy, Walter Thos.
Born Oct. 27, 1881
Died Aug. 16, 1904

Routh, W. E.
Born Sept. 29, 1866
Died Mar. 15, 1879

Russell, Howard Esli
Son of Claude & Dora Russell
Born Feb. 21, 1903
Died Nov. 5, 1922

Russell, Rose Evelyn
Dau. of Orville & Faye Russell
Born May 1, 1946
Died Feb. 21, 1947

Seaver, Elizabeth N.
Wife of H. G. Seaver
Born Mar. 19, 1844
Died Apr 25, 1915

Shields, Jennie B.
Dau. of T.M. & N.E. Shields
Born Feb. 22, 1881
Died July 25, 1899

Shields, Lavana C.
Wife of Thos. Shields
Born Feb. 26, 1843
Died Feb. 4, 1874

Shields, Mollie B.
Dau. of T. & N. E. Shields
Born June 16, 1876
Died Jan 15, 1892

Shields, Thos. M.
Born June 15, 1842
Died Mar 9, 1918

His wife, Nannie E.
Born Mar 15, 1847
Died Dec. 9, 1897

Slagle, Hix P. Jr.
Born Feb. 10, 1912
Died May 20, 1912

Slagle, Lyda T.
Born April 6, 1892
Died Oct. 20, 1923

Sloat, Rachie Moore Flora
Born Feb. 7, 1869
Died March 26, 1937

Smalling, Clarence
Born 1874
Died Feb. 12, 1959

Smallwood, J. I.
1844-1921

His wife, Nancy A.
1850

Smith, Arizona
Born May 26, 1868
Died Jan. 4, 1932

Smith, Boyd A.
Died Jan. 5, 1960
Age 76 yrs

Smith, Elizabeth
Born October 22, 1795
Died February 8, 1873

PETER SMITH.
BORN NOV.5.1826
DIED FEB.18.1914

Smith, Geo. R.
Born Mar. 11, 1856
Died Apr. 14, 1879

Smith, George
Born Feb. 5, 1823
Died May 17, 1900

His wife, Sara
Born Dec. 9, 1833
Died July 12, 1898

Smith, James M.
Born Dec. 15, 1851
Died May 16, 1932

Smith, James P.
Born Jan 18, 1859
Died Nov. 30, 1922

His wife, Sarah A. Moore
Born July 27, 1863
Died Mar. 16, 1914

Smith, Dr. Joel
Born Oct. 4, 1848
Died Sept. 26, 1883

Smith, Mary J.
Born Dec. 16, 1846
Died Dec. 13, 1914

Smith, Peter
Born Nov. 5, 1826
Died Feb. 18, 1914

His wife, Mary M. Taylor
Born July 10, 1834
Died Dec. 29, 1899

Smith, Redden T.
Born June 9, 1855
Died Dec. 22, 1855

Smith, Samuel
Born March 8, 1865
Died Nov. 10, 1931

Smith, Samuel
Born Aug. 16, 1819
Died Apr. 16, 1900

His wife, Elizabeth
Born Apr. 4, 1823
Died Feb. 13, 1896

Smith, Samuel F.
Born July 23, 1868
Died Nov. 13, 1883

Smith, Sarah Jane
Born Feb. 15, 1852
Died May 11, 1869

Smith, Thirza
Wife of Peter Smith
(Widow of Dr. T. D. Johnson)
Born April 24, 1815
Died March 14, 1879

Smith, Thomas M.
Born June 15, 1866
Died Nov. 10, 1867

Smith, Warren R.
1889-1960

Talley, Edward R.
Born Sept 6, 1890
Died Dec. 14, 1950
(Winner of Congressional Medal)

His wife, Mattie Moore
Born Sept. 30, 1893

Tarter, Alpha
Wife of Andrew Tarter
Born in Wythe Co. Va.
Born May 1, 1808
Died June 22, 1899

Tarter, Andrew
Son of H. & Elizabeth Tarter
Born Sept. 8, 1888
Died Apr. 12, 1897

Tarter, George B.
Born Dec. 31, 1873
Died Dec. 26, 1930

His wife, Mary Pruitt
Born Aug. 26, 1884
Died Nov. 23, 1943

Tarter, Hiram S.
Born June 11, 1845
Died Sept 30, 1927

His wife, Elizabeth B.
Born Jan. 17, 1851
Died Mar. 22, 1925

Taylor, Lula W.
Dau of R. F. & M. V. Taylor
Born Aug. 14, 1873
Died May 3, 1874

Taylor, Milton S.
Born Feb. 20, 1850
Died July 11, 1873

Taylor, Joseph Feamster
b. 9 Apr 1892
d 27 Apr 196[illegible]

Taylor, Minnie
Dau of W.L. and M.M. Taylor
Born June 1, 1874
Died June 22, 1887

Taylor, Nannie E.
Born Aug. 1, 1881
Died Apr 15, 1889

Taylor, Nannie May
Dau. of M. & Emma Taylor
Died Oct. 15, 1890
Age 1 mo

Taylor, Ora V.
Dau. of R.F. & M.V. Taylor
Born Feb. 5, 1880
Died May 14, 1884

Taylor, Redden S.
Born Oct. 9, 1809
Died Sept. 1, 1884

His wife, Nancy W.
Born Set. 22, 1817
Died May 22, 1892

Teters, R. C.
Born May 5, 1856
Died July 18, 1916

Thomas, Elizabeth J.
Wife of Jacob Thomas
Born Nov. 22, 1837
Died Sept. 8, 1878

Tomlinson, Burty M.
Born Dec. 12, 1875

Tomlinson, Clement D.
Born July 10, 1845
Died Nov. 14, 1879

Tomlinson, Robert L.
Born May 13, 1878

Tomlinson, Thomas G.
Born Sept. 20, 1873
Died May 17, 1893

Trolinger, Mary
Wife of A. M. Trolinger
Born Nov. 20, 1842
Died May 8, 1874

Trolinger, Mary
Dau. of A.M. & M. Trolinger
Born 1870

Vaughn, Erskine Reaves
Born Feb. 12, 1903
Died May 27, 1950

His wife, Myrtle McElroy
Born Apr. 14, 1899
Died Mar. 29, 1950

Walker, Adriel
1902-1902

Walker, Muriel
1902-1902
Twins of Hugh C. & Mattie D. Walker

Walker, C. M.
Born Oct. 28, 1848
Died Mar. 20, 1925

His wife, Elizabeth M. Haun
Born Feb. 3, 1847
Died Mar. 2, 1915

Walker, Dell
1876-1941

His wife, Pearl
1900-

Walker, Hugh C.
1869-1925

His wife, Mattie Dyer
1870-1943

Walker, Joseph Deventer
Son of C.M. & Elizabeth Haun Walker
Born Mar. 31, 1872
Died April 25, 1932

Walker, Robert Greer

Weaver, J. W.
Co. C. 4th Tenn. Inf

Weesner, Julia Wanita
Born July 26, 1909
Died June 28, 1910

Weesner, Lida May
Born May 15, 1904
Died Nov. 13, 1905
Dau. of B.C. and K. T. Weesner

Welch, Howard
Born and Died June 8, 1899

Welch, James D.
1867-1920

His wife, Angeline M.
1869-1926

Welch, John T.
Born April 7, 1836
Died Dec. 2, 1923

His wife, Martha A. Long
Born Mar. 26, 1845
Died Apr. 6, 1888

Welch, Bessie
Born Jan 23, 1887
Died Oct 10, 1887

Welch, Sara
Born June 20, 1869
Died Jan. 7, 1878

Welch, Lila
Born and Died Dec. 22, 1910

White, Belle
Born Sept. 25, 1867
Died Dec. 29, 1938

White, Cornelia Azalee
Dau. of S.M. & M.T. White
Born Nov. 5, 1883
Died Sept. 15, 1889

White, Devalson D.
Born Mar. 5, 1866
Died Nov. 24, 1868

White, George (no date)

White, Jacob
Born Oct. 22, 1837
Died Sept. 8, 1904

White, Jane
Born Aug. 23, 1830
Died June 28, 1896

White, Jemeson (no date)

White, Elizabeth,
Wife of Jemeson White
Born May 16, 1816
Died Sept. 7, 1871

White, J.C.
Born Dec. 18, 1824
Died Jan. 28, 1896

White, J. H. (no date)

White, Jonah
Born 1815

White, Joseph (no date)

White, Landon C.
Born Mar. 18, 1853
Died Jan. 29, 1924

His wife, Ellen
Born June 3, 1860

White, Leanah
Born Oct. 28, 1820
Died Apr. 12, 1900

White, Loula Verbena
Dau. of S.M. & M.T. White
Born & Died Apr. 18, 1890

White, Mahlon
Born Feb. 21, 1816
Died Feb. 16, 1893

White, Nancy C.
Born June 8, 1826
Died Oct. 30, 1855

White, Malissa
Born Apr. 10, 1840
Died June 27, 1904

White, Mariah
Born May 31, 1816
Died June 7, 1816

White, Mary
Born Feb. 23, 1799
Died Sept. 2, 1853

White, Mary
Born Mar. 9, 1837
Died Nov. 23, 1916

White, M (no date)

White, Hannah
Born Feb. 28, 1797
Died Mar. 28, 1838

White, Richard
Born May 17, 1790
Died Oct. 10, 1849

His wife, Hannah E.
Born Sept. 8, 1779
Died Oct. 12, 1839
(Note: dates in error. Should read: Born Sept. 8, 1798-Died May 11, 1876

White, Rolandus
Born Aug. 15, 1845
Died Oct. 18, 1854

White, Samuel
Born in Loudon Co. Va.
Born Aug. 26, 1780
Died Apr. 10, 1854

White, Sml.
Born April 1, 1751
Died Sept 23, 1804

White, Samuel M.
Born Mar. 23, 1839
Died Jan. 6, 1913

His wife, Mary T.
Born Jan. 25, 1864
Died Aug. 23, 1943

White, Sara
Born and Died Jan. 23, 1827

White, Thos. G.
Born Dec. 11, 1862
Died Mar. 25, 1865

White, William
Born July 31, 1813
Died June 14, 1834

Whitaker, Isabelle Jane
Dau. of Clay-Clara Whitaker
Born Oct. 21, 1920
Died Apr. 30, 1946

Whiteaker, Jim (no date)

Whiteaker, Sinda (no date)

William, Martha C.
Dau. of W.M. & E. William
Born Jan 19, 1855
Died Feb. 3, 1884

Wice, J. L.
Born Dec. 5, 1821
Died Jan. 11, 1897
Co. M. 9th Tenn. Cav.

His wife, Ann
Born Aug. 7, 1825
Died Apr. 16, 1888

Williams, Belle Tarter
Wife of Claude C. Williams
Born Dec. 15, 1890
Died Sept. 19, 1935

Williams, Claude C.
Born Sept. 24, 1891
Died Dec. 6, 1944

Williams, Johnie
Son of T.L. & L.A. Williams
Born July 29, 1879
Died Mar. 16, 1882

Wilson, Jerry Wayne
1908-1909

Wilson, Lily Pearl
May 2, 1941
Age 4 mo 3 da

Wilson, Mary
Born Sept 14, 1836
Died May 1, 1876

Wisecarver, Jennie L.
Wife of G.S.P. Wisecarver
Born July 9, 1871
Died Nov. 13, 1895

Witt, Caleb
Born Sept 2, 1762
Died Jan. 20, 1827

His wife, Miriam Horner
Born Nov. 13, 1768
Died June 10, 1845

Witt, Caleb
Son of P.A. Witt
Born Aug. 15, 1819
Died Oct. 13, 1819

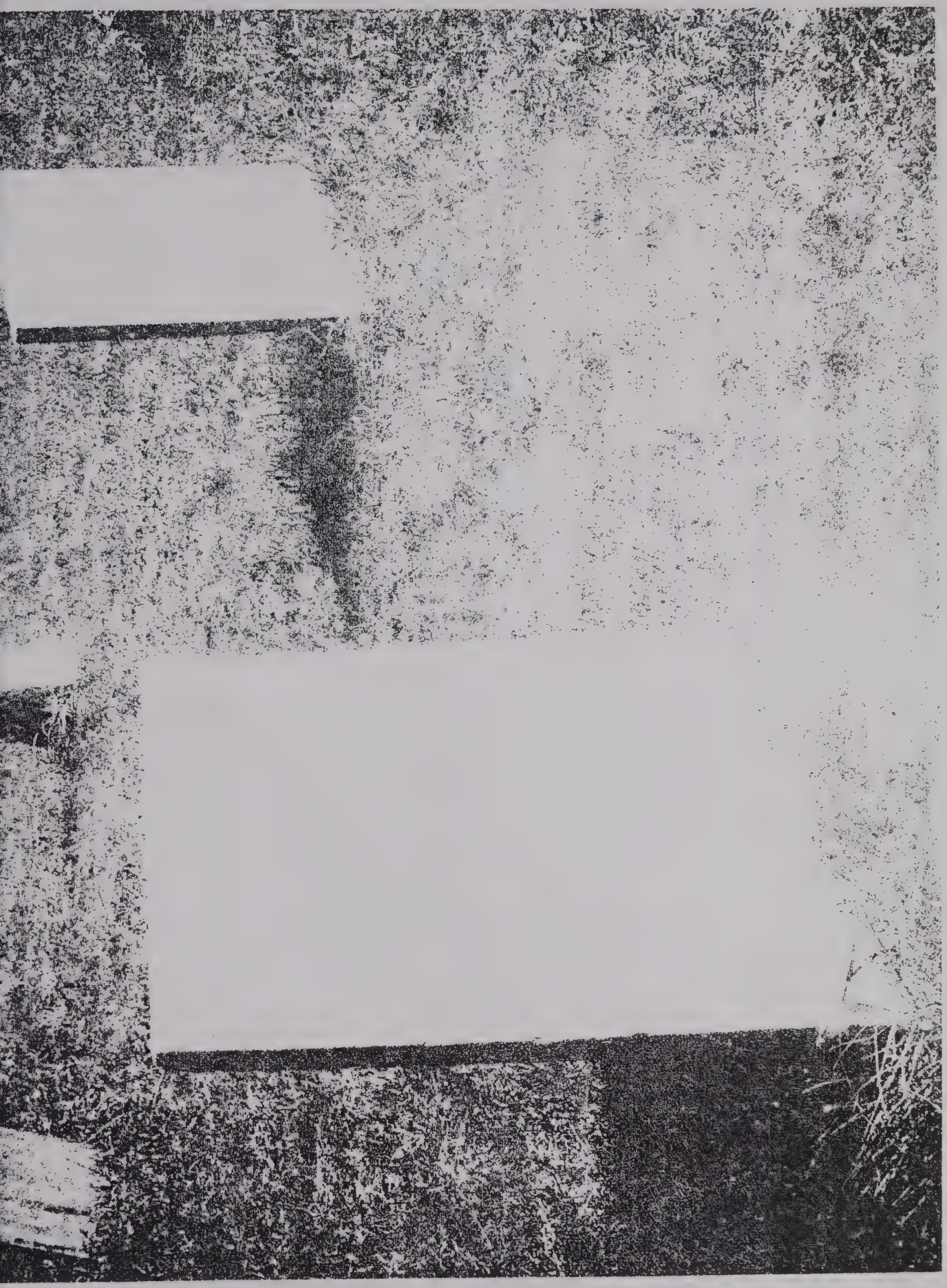
Witt, Eliza Jane
Dau. of J.C. & F. Witt
Born Dec. 22, 1856
Died Aug. 26, 1857

Witt, Sidney
Born Feb. 9, 1823
Died Mar. 9, 1892

Worley, Joseph
Died June 17, 1875
Age 72 yrs.

His wife, Jane
Born Dec. 25, 1802
Died Jan. 15, 1875

York, J. H.
Co. A. 1st Tenn. L.A.



150th ANNIVERSARY

OF

BENT CREEK CEMETERY

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The above picture of Bent Creek Cemetery was made by Kingsley, of Greeneville, about seventy five years ago and made available by E. Spears McCollough, of Knoxville, Tennessee.

BENT CREEK CEMETERY MARKS 150th ANNIVERSARY

In the upper end of Hamblen County in Eastern Tennessee about a mile south of the little village of Whitesburg, is located old Bent Creek Cemetery.

Settlement of this part of the county had commenced shortly after the Revolutionary War, and in 1785 Bent Creek Baptist Church had been organized with Tidence Lane the first pastor, and with Isaac Barton, William Murphy, James Roddye, Jacob Coffman, Samuel Riggs, William Horner and many others prominent in its growth.

In 1810, twenty five years after the organization of this church, William Horner gave one acre of land as a burying ground for the community, there being at that time no other community burial plot in the area, family grave yards being the custom.

Following is copy of the deed to the first tract of land for Bent Creek Cemetery, which is to be found recorded in Deed Book J, page 136, in Dandridge, Jefferson County, Tennessee.

D E E D

William Horner to (Deed) C. Witt, S. Riggs, J. Coffman for one acre Bent Creek. Registered 19th June, 1810.

THIS INDENTURE made the first day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ten between William Horner, Sr. of Jefferson County and State of Tennessee of the one part and Caleb Witt, Samuel Riggs, and Jacob Coffman, commissioners of the Baptist congregation on Bent Creek, of the state and county aforesaid, of the other part.

WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of my love and good will to the said Baptist sosiety I doth acknowledge, Granted Bargained and sold alien, released and confirmed by these presents doth grant bargain, sell alien Release and confirm unto the said Caleb Witt, Samuel Riggs and Jacob Coffman and their successors all that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the county and state aforesaid and on the waters of Bent Creek and to contain the graveyard Beginning at a Hickory, thence south thirteen poles to a stake thence east thirteen poles to a stake thence north thirteen poles to a stake thence west to the beginning containing of one acre and the reversion and revertion and revertions, remainder and remainders, rents and services thereof, also the estate Right title property Claim and Demand, whatsoever of him the said William Horner for himself his heirs executors Administrators.

The said tract are parcel of land and premises unto the above named Caleb Witt Samuel Riggs and Jacob Coffman to them and their successors in office for the use of the Baptist sosiety and neighborhood

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and the said William Horner for himself his heirs Executors, Administrators the tract or parcel of land above described all the appertances unto the said Caleb Witt, Samuel Riggs and Jacob Coffman, their successors and commissioners forever will warrant and forever defend as an indeafeasible inheritance in fee simple in witness whereof the said William Horner hath here unto set his hand and fixed his seal the day and year first above written.

NB I Wm. Horner doth oblige myself my heirs, Executors Administrators, to keep a passway to said burying ground through my land that joins to said graveyard.

William Horner seal
Acknowledged

Signed, Sealed and delivered in presence of us
A Lane
Wm. Horner, Jr.

State of Tennessee
Jefferson County

June sessions 1810

Then were the within deed acknowledged in open court and recorded let it be registered
Jos. Hamilton Clk.

By Wyly Martin D. C.

THE OLD FAMILIES

A visit to this historic spot revives memories of many of the pioneer families who were community leaders, and many whose descendants have gone out into the world and made notable names for themselves as lawyers, doctors, financiers, in every walk of life, for descendants of the pioneers are legion.

It would be impossible to list here the names of those buried in Bent Creek Cemetery, but we shall digress to the extent of calling attention to those stones indicating births prior to 1800. Many stones have only initials carved on them, countless graves are marked only with crude limestone rocks, and a generation ago many in the community could identify many of these. Numerous stones show only the name and death date, as is the case with John Coltharp, who married Susannah Horner, daughter of William Horner. His stone reads "Died 1815, age 66 years," indicating his birth Circa 1749.

The identity of the grave of James Roddye is lost, but members of his family state unquestionably this is his burial spot.

The grave of Caleb Witt and that of his wife Miriam Horner are marked with unique stones which give even the hour of their deaths. Records of marriages in Dandridge show countless couples of that day were married by Caleb Witt. Many of his descendants continue to live in the county.

It was in 1827 that the second boundary of land was added by Isaac Horner, copy of which follows, and which is recorded in Deed Book R, page 129, Dandridge, Jefferson County, Tennessee.

DEED

Isaac Horner to Deed Andrew Coffman and Wilkins Kirkpatrick for one acre and seventy one poles of land Registered 18th September 1827.

This indenture made and entered into this tenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and twenty six between Isaac Horner of the County of Jefferson, State of Tennessee of the one part, and Andrew Coffman and Wilkins Kirkpatrick, Deacons of the Baptist Society on Bent Creek of said County and state aforesaid of the other part, Witnesseth that the said Isaac Horner for his love and good will to the said society, doth give to them and the neighbors of its vicinity one acre and seventy one poles of land, lying around the old original grave yard Beginning on a post oak and hickory, thence due East, twenty poles to a small hickory, thence due South twenty poles to a small Black Oak, thence due West twenty poles to a stake, thence due North to the beginning.

To have and to hold the said tract or parcel of (land) ground, unto the said deacons, society and neighbors as aforesaid, against the claim of him the said Isaac Horner his heirs and assigns forever, and all and

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every person, claiming by or through him. In witness whereof the said Isaac Horner hath set his hand and seal the day and date before written.

Isaac Horner (seal)

In WITNESS: of us
Wm. Hodges
Wm. Felts

In addition to this Deed of conveyance the said Isaac Horner doth agree that an open road shall always be kept open for free access to said Grave Yard.

Isaac Horner

State of Tennessee)
Jefferson County) June Sessions 1826

Then was the above deed of conveyance acknowledged in open court and recorded. Let it be registered.

Joseph Hamilton, Clerk

TOMBSTONE INSCRIPTIONS COPIED

It was in 1937 that inscriptions from the stones in Bent Creek Cemetery were first copied, under a WPA project, as this record showed some four hundred fifty graves marked with stones bearing inscriptions. The preface to this list of inscriptions states that James Roddye, a Revolutionary War soldier, and Caleb Witt, also a Revolutionary War soldier are buried here .

Three other Revolutionary War soldiers known to be buried here include John Kirkpatrick, whose grave originally marked with a large limestone rock inscribed JBK, May 1741, now includes a government marker erected in 1938 which states his rank and service. Family tradition states he brought the first four wheeled wagon into Tennessee and formed the Salem Presbyterian Church near Bulls Gap, Tennessee.

Patrick Nenney's grave is marked with an unusual stone said to have been brought by wagon from Philadelphia. ~~He too was a Revolutionary War soldier~~, but only his death date, April 28, 1824 is recorded.

William Horner, donor of the original tract of land, was recipient of compensation for supplies furnished during the Revolution, and a Government marker will be erected this year.

Although Tidence Lane was prominent in Baptist Church activities all over this area, he is not buried in Bent Creek, but his grave is in a family plot on a farm he once owned, about one mile north of Whitesburg on Highway 66. His grandson Isaac (1788-1866) and Isaac's wife, Rebecca Scruggs (1790-1841) are buried here.

The graves of Elder Andrew Coffman (1784-1864) and his wife Nancy (1783-1872) are also to be found here, and the Coffman descendants are scattered the world over.

The stone of Alexander McDonald (1768-1834) reads, "This tribute of affection was erected to his memory by his grandsons." According to the will of Alexander McDonald which is to be found in Dandridge, he had five grandsons who bore his name "Alexander" and it was they who erected the stone.

Probably most pretentious of the stones of these pioneers is that of Samuel White (1780-1854) which reads "born in Loudon County, Virginia." Such bits of information as this are priceless to historians and genealogists and would there were more.

Another Samuel White (1751-1804) and his wife are buried here, and they too, are from Loudon County, Virginia.

Cavalier Horner, born Circa 1780 was a son of William Horner and his wife Elizabeth Aldridge.

Now and then even gravestones carry dates in error, as is the case of the wife of Richard White (1790-1849), she being

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Hannah Haworth. Dates recorded for her being (1779-1839), but a check into family Bible records indicate these are dates of a sister, and her dates should read (1798-1876).

One can imagine from examining the above records how rapidly these original two and three quarter acres could have been filled during the eighteen hundreds and it was in 1909 that the Trustees, seeking additional land, purchased from the Kirkpatrick family who at that time owned the surrounding boundary, the third and last piece. This deed is recorded in Hamblen County Court House in Deed Book 32, page 374.

D E E D

J. B. KIRKPATRICK ET AL.

TO

W. N. HAUN ET AL, TRUSTEES.

This deed witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the sum of One Hundred and twenty-eight ($128.00) Dollars, cash to us in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the undersigned J. B. Kirkpatrick, W. W. Kirkpatrick, Mary Kirkpatrick, and Mattie Kirkpatrick, all of Hamblen County, Tenn. have this day bargained and sold, and do hereby bargain, sell, transfer and convey in fee simple forever unto W. N. Haun, H. E. Lane, J. A. Lane, James W. Haun, E. C. Rader and S. B. Day, as trustees, for the purposes and uses hereinafter set forth, and to their assigns and successors in trust, the following described parcel or tract of land, to-wit, situated in the present Third Civil District of Hamblen County, Tenn., and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:—

Beginning at the North corner, near a marked pine, thence South 27½ poles to a stake; thence South 83½ West 40 1-10 poles to a stake; thence North 2 West 32 2-5 poles to a stake; thence East 41 1-0 poles to the beginning, containing by surface measure seven acres and ninety seven square poles, but included in the above boundary is what is known as the Bent Creek Cemetery, which contains two acres and seventy nine square poles, which is not conveyed hereby, leaving the boundary covered by this conveyance containing five acres and eighteen square poles, and that part of said land as is now covered by said cemetery is expressly excepted from this conveyance and all warranties herein made.

To have and to hold unto them the said W. N. Haun, H. E. Lane, J. A. Lane, James W. Haun, E. C. Rader and S. B. Day, trustees and to their assigns and successors in trust in fee simple forever, the above described premises, for the purpose hereinafter set forth, and we do hereby covenant with the said W. N. Haun, H. E. Lane, J. A. Lane, James W. Haun, E. C. Rader and S. B. Day, trustees and with their assigns and successors in trust, that we are lawfully seized and possessed of the above described premises; that we have a good and valid right to sell and convey the same; that the same is free from all incumbrances, and that we will forever warrant and defend the title thereto against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

But the said premises are conveyed to the said trustees, and to their successors in trust, for the purposes of a burial ground, or cemetery and as an addition to what is known as the Bent Creek Cemetery, and for no other purpose, and said premises are to be used soley and only for said purpose, Said trustees, and their successors shall have control of the same, and the same is to be free to all white people who desire to bury their dead therein, and shall also be free to such colored people as may

desire to bury their dead therein, but said trustees, or their successors, shall have the right to prescribe and designate where said colored people shall have the right to bury, and they shall not have the right to bury at any other place therein than that so designated by said trustees, or their successors.

Said trustees, or their successors, shall have the right to designate and set apart such portion of said premises as may be in their judgment be needed for drive ways, or walk ways, and no one shall bury any body in said ways. And none of the standing timber on said premises shall be cut or destroyed without the order or direction of said trustees, or their successors.

Said trustees herein named shall, upon the execution and delivery of this deed meet and organize by electing one of their number chairman, and another secretary, said chairman and secretary shall hold office for such term as said trustee may determine, and until their successors are elected; said secretary shall keep a record of the meetings of said board of trustees, and the trustees shall make and adopt such rules and reguiations for the control of said premises for the purposes above set out as they may deem best. And any vacancy occuring in said board by the death, removal, or resignation of any of said trustees shall be filled by the other members, and a majority of the board of trustees shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business pertaining to said trust.

It is also a part of this consideration that the undersigned, or their assigns or representatives, shall be at no expense or their assigns or representatives, shall be at no expenses in or about the fencing, or keeping fenced, the above premises, but the same shall be fenced and kept fenced by the said trustees, or their successors, or those burying their dead in said premises.

In testimony whereof, witness our hands this the — day of May, 1909.

J. B. Kirkpatrick W. W. Kirkpatrick

Mary Kirkpatrick Mattie Kirkpatrick

State of Tennessee,)
Hamblen County)

FAMILIAR NAMES

A walk through the cemetery reveals names of families prominent in the community today, among which are to be found the following: Ballard, Cobble, Coffman, Colyer, Courtney, Cox, Dean, Dyer, Estes, Flagg, Gordon, Harmon, Haun, Horner, Kirkpatrick, Lane, Mooney, Moore, Murdock, Nenney, Pangle, Parvin, Pruitt, Rader, Rhea, Russell, Smith, Taylor, White, Witt, and many others.

In early days each family cared for his own plot. Later first Thursday in May came to be the accepted day for families to gather and "clean off the grave yard." It was an all day affair when men dropped their farming duties and women their household

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cares and, bringing their dinner in a basket, came early and carefully cleaned, not only their own family graves, but joined in the care of other graves.

With the coming of the automobile and the spread of families to all parts of the world, this custom gradually disappeared, and for Bent Creek Cemetery no care was provided. As you can ascertain from the content of the deeds, no income is realized from the sale of lots since the deed clearly states it is to be used as a free burying ground. Thus the Trustees found themselves confronted with the problem of care and no money. It was then they adopted a plan for services in the afternoon of the fourth Sunday in May, and at that time a basket offering was taken to help provide care. This, together with scant contributions made here and there by a few who "remember," provide even today, the only means of support.

This anniversary year we present the challenge of establishing a "Permanent Care Fund," interest from which will be adequate to provide these Trustees and their successors with an annual income for keeping the grounds mowed, the graves leveled, the drives in repair and the property fenced.

What more fitting way for observing the 150th Anniversary of this Cemetery could be planned than the basket dinner, at 12:00 noon, May 22, to which all who are interested, are invited to bring their share and join with friends and relatives. Ceremonies at 2:00 include an address by Judge R. Beecher Witt, of Madisonville, Tennessee, a descendant of Caleb Witt.

To you who have ancestors or loved ones buried in Bent Creek Cemetery; to you who are interested in preserving such historical spots; to you who annually make contributions to philanthropic causes, we solicit your interest and your thinking, and your contribution. For your convenience you will find a blank on the last page for your use. It may be that you will not be in position to contribute all you feel is your share in one year, but you may state what you anticipate being in position to do. Too, you may want to give consideration to a lump sum to be deposited in the Permanent Care Fund upon your death, as a memorial, to help insure care for graves when you are gone. The Board of Trustees has designated the Bank of Commerce of Morristown, Tennessee as depository for these funds, and Mr. Earnest R. Taylor, Attorney, Bank of Commerce Building, Morristown, Tennessee, is Chairman of this fund, and contributions may be sent to him.

Mrs. Joel H. Ponder, New Bright's Pike, Morristown, Tennessee is Historical Records Chairman, and if there are those who have family Bible records, or data of any nature, relating to any family with Bent Creek background, Mrs. Ponder will gladly accept and file them. The Horner family is particularly interested in family records and would welcome correspondence with interested people.

A revised list of tombstone inscriptions is being compiled and will be available at a reasonable price on the day of the 22nd of May, or may be ordered by mail from Mrs. Ponder, Records Chairman.

DEDICATION OF MONUMENT

This anniversary year a monument is being erected marking the grave of the first man buried in Bent Creek. The story of the burial of this man has been handed down as family tradition, and none question it. It goes thus— In early days when houses were not too numerous, travellers, cattle drovers and such, frequently sought the night's lodging in houses along the way. The home of William Horner was located on the old stage road, and on one occasion a man, riding horseback, on his way from North Carolina to Kentucky to buy cattle, was overtaken near nightfall close the Horner home and asked to spend the night. During the night he became ill, too ill to travel, and shortly died. In his delirium he spoke of his home town in North Carolina, thus giving the only clue to his identity. Subsequent to his death he was buried on the farm of William Horner, not too far distant from the house. Later, disturbed that the family of this man did not know of his death, William Horner, riding his own horse and leading the horse of the traveller rode to North Carolina and made contact with the man's family.

In the century and a half since then the name of the man has been lost, but his grave remains marked with crude limestone rocks.

In 1810 William Horner deeded to the Trustees of the "Baptist Sosiety" an acre of land, which included the traveller's grave, to be used as a neighborhood grave yard, and the erection of the monument marking this grave is a long delayed community project.

The inscription of this stone reads: THIS STONE MARKS THE FIRST GRAVE IN BENT CREEK CEMETERY. HERE REST THE MORTAL REMAINS OF AN UNKNOWN TRAVELLER WHO DIED, PRIOR TO 1810, IN THE HOME OF WILLIAM HORNER, DONOR OF THIS LAND. ERECTED IN 1960, BY THE PEOPLE OF THE COMMUNITY AND THOSE WHOSE LOVED ONES REST IN BENT CREEK, IN COMMEMORATION OF THE 150th ANNIVERSARY.

I wish to make the following subscription to the Permanent Care Fund of Bent Creek Cemetery:

I enclose $_____.

I wish to subscribe $_____ each year for the next _____ years

Signed _____

Address _____

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